IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

MONDAY, THE TWENTY SIXTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

WRIT PETITION No. 20978 of 2005

Between:

Bhaskara Deluxe Theatre , Guntur & Chilakaluripet,

Guntur District, Rep by its Managaing Partner K.Suni Babu

And 6 others

..... PETITIONERS

AND

Joint Collector, Guntur District

And 2 others

.....RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

Seeking a Mandamus, declaring the action of the respondents in not making endorsement in B-Form license of the petitioners' theatres for enhancement of admission rates as per the application dated 17.09.2005, as illegal and arbitrary, the present writ petition is filed.

The case of the petitioners is that they are running cinema theaters having with authorized licenses. The petitioners have committed for screening the picture namely "Chatrapathi" in their theatres and hence they made an application to the respondents on 17.09.2005, requesting to permit them to enhance the admission rates for a period of two weeks. As per Rule 11 (b) (3) (a) of the A.P.Cinema Regulation Rules, 1970 the licensing authority while granting or renewing of the license in From B, shall also fix the maximum rates of payment for admission to the different classes in the licensed premises. But the respondents have not passed any orders on their applications dated 17.09.2005. Hence the petitioners are constrained to file this writ petition.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Pleader for Home.

Appropriate decision has to be taken by the respondents on the application of the petitioners dated 17.09.2005 in accordance with law and rules and regulations made under A.P.Cinema Regulation Rules, 1970.

In that view of the matter, without entering into the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition, with a direction to the respondents to consider the application of the petitioners dated 17.09.2005, and pass necessary orders thereon forthwith, in accordance with law, rules and regulations made under A.P.Cinema Regulation Rules, 1970.

With the above directions, the Writ Petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

K.C. BHANU,J

Dated: 26.09.2005

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Note:

Issue wire at party's costs

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